GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:301
ANSWERED ON:19.03.2001
NATIONAL WAGE POLICY
GADDAM GANGA REDDY;KINJARAPU YERRANNAIDU

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether leading trade unions have demanded a national wage policy;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up a Tripartite Cell for rehabilitation of sick units and to arrest increasing unemployment in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 301 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 19/3/2001.

(a) & (b): The issues relating to national wage policy have been under discussion with the representatives of Trade Unions in various fora over the years. The key elements of a National Wage Policy framework like payment of wage, timeliness ofwage payment, non-discrimination in wage between men and women are governed by legislations such as Minimum Wages Act, 1948, Payment of Wages Act, 1936 and Equal Remuneration Act, 1976.

(c) & (d): Such matters are discussed in tripartite fora which are already available in the Ministry of Labour. As such there is no need to set up a Tripartite Cell.